

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, California 93401**

Public Notice No. R3-2010-0011
NPDES No. CA0048143

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
REISSUANCE OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)
FOR
CITY OF SANTA BARBARA,
EL ESTERO WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY,
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

On the basis of preliminary staff review, the record in this matter, and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region tentatively proposes to reissue the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the wastewater discharge from the City of Santa Barbara El Estero Wastewater Treatment Facility. The City of Santa Barbara owns and operates the El Estero Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Persons wishing to comment on the draft order must submit comments or evidence in writing to the address above no later than **March 3, 2010**. The Central Coast Water Board will not accept comments or other written submissions on the Draft Order after **March 3, 2010**, unless the Chair rules that exclusion would create a severe hardship and that the late submission will not prejudice any party or the Central Coast Water Board. Any person asking to submit materials late must explain why the materials were not submitted earlier. The Chair will rule at or before the hearing. Late submissions that consist of evidence (as opposed to policy statements or comments) are generally prejudicial unless all designated parties and Central Coast Water Board staff have time to consider the evidence before the meeting.

The Central Coast Water Board will hold a public hearing to obtain oral public comments and consider reissuing the NPDES Permit at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2010, at the:

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Interested persons are invited to attend and provide oral comments on the proposed action. Persons making comments should confine their statements to the proposed permit. For the accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be submitted in writing. Oral statements should be brief to allow all interested persons time to be heard.

The draft order is posted on the Water Board's website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_decisions/tentative_orders/.

The draft order, report of waste discharge, staff report, related documents, and all comments and evidence received may be inspected and copied at the office of the Water Board, 895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101, San Luis Obispo, California, on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please direct comments and questions to **Ryan Lodge at (805) 549-3506** or rlodge@waterboards.ca.gov, or Burton Chadwick at (805) 542-4786.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any persons known to you who would be interested in this matter.